

*“Yet for us there is only one God, the Father,
of whom are all things, and we for Him;
and one Lord Jesus Christ, through whom are all things,
and through whom we live. 1Corinthians 8:6 NKJ*

A NEW TESTAMENT REVIEW

Matthew 3:17 And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, “This is **My beloved Son**, in whom I am well pleased.” (See also Matt. 17:5, Mark 1:11, Mark 9:7, Luke 3:22 and Luke 9:35.)

2 John 1:3 Grace, mercy, and peace will be with you from God the Father and **from the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father**, in truth and love.

John 1:14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of **the only begotten of the Father**, full of grace and truth.

Note: Jesus Christ is never called the Son of the Spirit.

Matthew 5:16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and **glorify your Father in heaven**.

Matthew 5:45 that you may be **sons of your Father in heaven**; for **He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust**.

Note: The omnipresent Father makes His sun shine, and sends the rain.

Matthew 6:4 that your charitable deed may be in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will Himself reward you openly.

Matthew 6:6 pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly. (Matt. 6:18)

Matthew 6:9-13 In this manner, therefore, pray: **Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven.** Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors. And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one. For **Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

Note: Why nothing in Scripture about the Spirit’s kingdom, power, and glory forever?

1Corinthians 15:24-28 **Then comes the end, when He delivers the kingdom to God the Father,....then the Son Himself will also be subject to Him who put all things under Him, that God may be all in all.**

The kingdom is ultimately the Father’s kingdom (Matt. 6:9-13, Matt. 13:43, Matt 26:29).

The Father is head of Christ, Who is head of mankind (1Cor. 11:3).

The Father has given to Christ, the kingdom (Lk. 22:29, Dan. 7:13-14).

Matthew 7:21 Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven.”

The Father’s will is presented in Scripture, as supreme..

Matthew 10:32 Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, him I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven.

Matthew 11:25-27I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, . . . **All things have been delivered to Me by My Father**, and no one knows the Son except the Father. Nor does anyone know the Father except the Son, and the one to whom the Son wills to reveal Him.

Matthew 12:18 Behold! **My Servant** whom I have chosen, **My Beloved** in whom My soul is well pleased! **I will put My Spirit upon Him**, And He will declare justice to the Gentiles.

Note: The Father gave His Spirit to His Son.

Matthew 15:13 But He answered and said, Every plant which My heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted.

Matthew 18:14 It is not the will of your Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.

Matthew 18:19 Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven.

Matthew 20:23 So He said to them, “You will indeed drink My cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with; but **to sit on My right hand and on My left is not Mine to give, but it is for those for whom it is prepared by My Father.**”

Matthew 23:9 Do not call anyone on earth your father; for **One is your Father, He who is in heaven.**

Matthew 24:36 But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only.

*Note: Why not “God only” rather than “the Father only”?
Didn’t the Holy Spirit know? Mark 13:32 says that Jesus Himself did not know.*

Matthew 26:39 He went a little farther and fell on His face, and prayed, saying, "O My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; nevertheless, **not as I will, but as You will.**"

Note: The action of two separate wills, demonstrates two separate individuals - the Father and His Son. In John 6:38 Christ said, "For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me." "I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me" (John 5:30).

Matthew 28:18 Then Jesus came and spoke to them, say, ‘**All authority has been given to Me** in heaven and on earth.’ *This is the same as saying that “all things are put under his feet” (1Cor. 15:25-28).*

Mark 12:29 Jesus answered him, “The first of all the commandments is: ‘Hear, O Israel, **the Lord**

our God, the Lord is one.”

Note: The Greek word “heis” (#1520) means “the numeral one” or the emphatic “only one.” “One jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law” (Matt 5:18). The lawyer who spoke to Christ was quoting from Deut. 6:4. “Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord is one!” The Hebrew word ‘echad (#0259) means “one, same, single, first, each, or once.” While it is true that one nation may be composed of many individuals, the Hebrew word used here is not used most often to refer to units composed of parts. And the Hebrew word for unity is a different word altogether. The context of Moses appeal to Israel in Deut. 6:4 is that the God of Israel is the only God. (Deut 5:9; 6:5).

Zechariah employs the word with this meaning. “The Lord will be king over all the earth; in that day the Lord will be (the only) one, and His name (the only) one” (Zech. 14:9). This Lord Who will be king over all the earth is the Father, according to 1Cor. 15:24-28. Christ will deliver the kingdom to God the Father and will then Himself be subject to His Father. The saved of earth will have written in their foreheads the name of the Father. He is the One Who sits on the throne (Rev. 22:3-4; Rev. 14:1).

Mark 12:36 For David himself said by the Holy Spirit: “**The Lord [Father] said to my Lord [Christ], ‘Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool.’”
(Luke 20:42, Acts 2:34)**

When Christ returns in the clouds, He will be “sitting at the right hand of the Power” (Matt. 26:64). This tells us that even when He returns in glory, Christ will still be subject to His Father. The Father is The Power, and Christ is at his “right hand,” meaning next in authority.

Revelation 3:21 To him who overcomes I will grant to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and **sat down with My Father on His throne.**

Mark 16:19 So then, after the Lord had spoken to them, He was received up into heaven, and **sat down at the right hand of God.**

Acts 2:33 Therefore **being exalted to the right hand of God,** and having **received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit,** He [Christ] poured out this which you now see and hear.

Ephesians 1:20 [The working of His mighty power] **which He [the Father v.17] worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places.**

Note: The Father raised Christ from the dead (Gal 1:1; 1Pet 1:3).

Luke 2:49 And He said to them, “Why did you seek Me? Did you not know that **I must be about My Father’s business?**”

Luke 10 21-22 In that hour Jesus rejoiced in the Spirit and said, ‘I praise You, **Father, Lord of heaven and earth.** . . . **All things have been delivered to Me by My Father,** and **no one knows who the Son is but the Father, and who the Father is but the Son,** and the one to whom the Son wills to reveal Him.’

Wouldn't the Holy Spirit "know" who the Father is, and who the Son is?

Luke 11:13 If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!

The Holy Spirit is the gift, given to us by the Father.

Luke 12:32 Do not fear little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

*The Father gives the kingdom to Christ, who shares it with us
(Matt. 6:9-13, Matt. 13:43, Matt 26:29, Lk. 22:29, Dan. 7:13-14).*

Luke 22:29 And I bestow upon you a kingdom, just as **My Father bestowed one upon Me.**

Luke 23:34 Then Jesus said, "**Father, forgive them,** for they do not know what they do."

Note: In Scripture the Holy Spirit is never spoken of as forgiving sinners.

Luke 23:46 And when Jesus had cried out with a loud voice, He said, "**Father, into Your hands I commit My spirit.**" Having said this, He breathed His last.

Note: Christ never spoke to the Holy Spirit.

John 1:14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 1:18 **No one has seen God at any time. The only begotten Son, who is in the bosom of the Father, He has declared Him.**

John 2:16 And He said to those who sold doves, "Take these things away! Do not make My Father's house a house of merchandise!

*The Temple was the "Father's house," not "My (Christ's) house," or "the Spirit's house."
The Temple was symbolic of heaven. Christ said, In My Father's house are many mansions" (John 14:2). "He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God" (Rev. 3:12).*

John 3:16-17 For **God** so loved the world that **He gave His only begotten Son**, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send *His* Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.

2 John 1:3 Grace, mercy, and peace will be with you from God the Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father, in truth and love.

John 3:18 He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of **the only begotten Son of God.**

John 3:34-35 For He whom God has sent speaks the words of God, for God does not give the Spirit by measure. **The Father loves the Son, and has given all things into His hand.**

John 4:23 But the hour is coming, and now is, when **the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him.**

Note: Why did Christ never say that we are to worship the Holy Spirit.?

John 4:34 Jesus said to them, “My food is to do **the will of Him who sent Me**, and to finish **His work.**”

John 17:4 [Father v.1] I have glorified thee on the earth: **I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do.**

John 5:17 But Jesus answered them, “**My Father has been working until now, and I have been working.**”

Note: Why did Christ not say that the Holy Spirit had been working also?

John 5:19-23 Then Jesus answered and said to them, “Most assuredly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He sees the Father do; for whatever He does, the Son also does in like manner. For the Father loves the Son, and shows Him all things that He Himself does; and He will show Him greater works than these, that you may marvel. For as the Father raises the dead and gives life to them, even so the Son gives life to whom He will. For the Father judges no one, but has committed all judgment to the Son, that **all should honor the Son just as they honor the Father**. He who does not honor the Son does not honor **the Father who sent Him**.

Note: Only two divine beings are spoken of here.

John 5:26 For as the Father has life in Himself, so He has granted the Son to have life in Himself,

Note: While living on this earth as a man, Christ had only that power which was granted to Him by His Heavenly Father.

John 5:30 I can of Myself do nothing. As I hear, I judge; and My judgment is righteous, **because I do not seek My own will but the will of the Father who sent Me.**

John 5:36 But I have a greater witness than John’s; for **the works which the Father has given Me to finish -- the very works that I do -- bear witness of Me, that the Father has sent Me.**

John 5:37 And the Father Himself, who sent Me, has testified of Me. You have neither heard His voice at any time, nor seen His form.

John 5:43 **I have come in My Father’s name.**

John 7:16 **Jesus answered them and said, “My doctrine is not Mine, but His who sent Me.”**

Note: Could we understand from Christ’s statement that “the law” is the Father’s law?

John 6:27 Do not labor for the food which perishes, but for the food which endures to everlasting life, which the Son of Man will give you, because **God the Father has set His seal on Him.**

John 6:37-39 All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will by no means cast out. **For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me.** This is the will of the Father who sent Me, that of all He has given Me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up at the last day.

Note: Never did Christ say that He had come to do the Holy Spirit's will, or that the Holy Spirit had sent Him.

John 6:46 Not that anyone has seen the Father, except He who is from God; He has seen the Father.

John 6:57 As the living Father sent Me, and I live because of the Father, so he who feeds on Me will live because of Me.

John 6:65 And He said, "Therefore I have said to you that no one can come to Me unless it has been granted to him by My Father."

John 7:16 Jesus answered them and said, 'My doctrine is not Mine, but His who sent Me.'

Here is an indication of two individual beings.

John 7:33 Then Jesus said to them, "I shall be with you a little while longer, and then **I go to Him who sent Me.**"

John 8:16 And yet if I do judge, My judgment is true; for I am not alone, but **I am with the Father who sent Me.**

John 8:18-19 "I am One who bears witness of Myself, and **the Father who sent Me bears witness of Me.**" Then they said to Him, "Where is Your Father?" Jesus answered, "You know neither Me nor My Father. **If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also.**"

John 8:26-29 "I have many things to say and to judge concerning you, but **He who sent Me is true**; and I speak to the world those things which I heard from Him." They did not understand that **He spoke to them of the Father.** Then Jesus said to them, "When you lift up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am He, and that I do nothing of Myself; but **as My Father taught Me, I speak these things.** "And He who sent Me is with Me. The Father has not left Me alone, for I always do those things that please Him."

Note: The Father was not bodily present with His Son. He was present by His omnipresent spirit.

John 8:42 Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love Me, for **I proceeded forth and came from God**; nor have I come of Myself, but **He sent Me.**"

John 8:54-55 Jesus answered, "If I honor Myself, My honor is nothing. **It is My Father who honors Me, of whom you say that He is your God.** Yet you have not known Him, but I know Him. And if I say, 'I do not know Him,' I shall be a liar like you; but I do know Him and keep His word."

Here again are two individual beings. The Father honors Me.

John 10:17-18 Therefore **My Father loves Me**, because I lay down My life that I may take it again . . . This command I have received from My Father. (*See John 14:31 - 'I love the Father.'*)

John 10:29-30 **My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all**; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand. **I and My Father are one**

Note: Christ did not say that He was also "one" with the Holy Spirit.

John 10:32 Jesus answered them, "**Many good works I have shown you from My Father**. For which of those works do you stone Me?"

Note: The power to do miracles, came from His Father.

John 10:37 If I do not do the works of My Father, do not believe Me; but if I do, though you do not believe Me, believe the works, that you may know and believe that **the Father is in Me, and I in Him**.

Because God our Father is an omnipresent Spirit as well as a being who sits on a throne, He could dwell "in" His Son, and Christ can dwell "in" us.

John 12:27-28 Now My soul is troubled, and what shall I say? **Father, save Me from this hour?** But for this purpose I came to this hour. **Father, glorify Your name**. Then a voice came from heaven, saying, **I have both glorified it and will glorify it again.**

Note: Why did Jesus never pray to the Holy Spirit?

John 12:44-45 Then Jesus cried out and said, "**He who believes in Me, believes not in Me but in Him who sent Me. And he who sees Me sees Him who sent Me**."

John 14:9 **He who has seen Me, has seen the Father**.

John 12:49 For I have not spoken on My own authority; but **the Father who sent Me gave Me a command, what I should say and what I should speak**.

Note: No commands from the Holy Spirit?

John 13:1 Jesus knew that His hour had come that He should depart from this world to the Father,

John 13:3 Jesus, knowing that . . . He had come from God and was going to God.

John 14:6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. **No one comes to the Father except through Me**."

Note: We are reconciled to the Father through the Son (Col. 1:19-20).

John 14:7 If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also,

John 14:9 He who has seen Me has seen the Father; so how can you say, 'Show us the Father.'

John 14:10 do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on My own authority; but **the Father who dwells in Me does the works.**

*The Father could “dwell” in Christ
because He (singular) “is Spirit” (John 4:24) as well as a physical being.*

John 14:11 Believe Me that **I am in the Father and the Father in Me**, or else believe Me for the sake of the works themselves.

Note: He did not say, “I am in the Father and the Holy Spirit, and they are in Me.”

John 14:13 And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, **that the Father may be glorified in the Son.**

Note: The Holy Spirit is never glorified in Scripture.

John 14:20 At that day you will know that **I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you.**

John 14:23 (Jesus answered) ‘If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him.

John 14:24 He who does not love Me does not keep My words; and **the word which you hear is not Mine but the Father’s who sent Me.**

John 14:31 But that the world may know that **I love the Father**, and **as the Father gave Me commandment, so I do.**

Note: Only the Father seems to be directing Christ.

Note: Jesus loves the Father (John 14:31). The Father loves Jesus (John 10:17).

“The Father loved Me” (John 15:9). “The love with which You loved Me may be in them... (John 17:26).

Father ... You loved Me before the foundation of the world (John 17:24).

The Scripture does not say that the Spirit loved Christ or was loved.

John 15:9 I have kept My Father’s commandments and abide in his love.

John 15:15 whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you.

John 15:23 He who hates Me hates My Father also.

Note: No word about hating the Holy Spirit also?

John 16:23 And in that day you will ask Me nothing. Most assuredly, I say to you, **whatever you ask the Father in My name He will give you.**

Note: No mention of asking the Holy Spirit for anything?

John 16:25-28 I will tell you plainly about the Father. In that day you will ask in My name, and I do not say to you that I shall pray the Father for you; for the Father Himself loves you, because you have loved Me, and have believed that I came forth from God. I came forth from the Father and have come into the world. Again, I leave the world and go to the Father.

*Note: Christ never said, "I came forth from the Spirit."
He also never said, "the Spirit Himself loves you."*

John 17:1-5 Jesus spoke these words, lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said: "Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son, that Your Son also may glorify You, as You have given Him authority over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as You have given Him. And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do. And now, O Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was.

*The Father is the "only true God."
The Father sent Christ. The Father gave Christ authority.
The Father gave Christ His work. The Son's work was to glorify the Father.
The Son existed with the Father [no mention of the Spirit] before the earth was created.*

John 17:7-11 [Father] Now they have known that all things which You have given Me are from You. For I have given to them the words which You have given Me; and they have received them, and have known surely that I came forth from You; and they have believed that You sent Me. I pray for them. I do not pray for the world but for those whom You have given Me, for they are Yours. And all Mine are Yours, and Yours are Mine, and I am glorified in them. Now I am no longer in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to You. Holy Father, keep through Your name those whom You have given Me, that they may be one as We are.

The disciples knew that Christ had come forth from God. Peter said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God" (Matt. 16:16). They also knew that Christ had been sent to earth by His Father.

John 17:20-25 that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me. And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one: I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me. **Father**, I desire that they also whom You gave Me may be with Me where I am, that they may behold My glory which You have given Me; for You loved Me before the foundation of the world. O righteous Father! The world has not known You, but I have known You; and these have known that You sent Me.

Note: The entire chapter John 17, is Christ's prayer to His Father

John 20:17 Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to Me, for I have not yet ascended to My Father; but go to My brethren and say to them, 'I am ascending to My Father and your Father, and to My God and your God.'"

Note: The Father is the God of Christ.

John 20:21 So Jesus said to them again, “Peace to you! As **the Father has sent Me**, I also send you.”

Romans 15:6 that you may with one mind and one mouth **glorify the God and Father** of our Lord Jesus Christ.

He is the God of Jesus Christ. He is the Father of Jesus Christ.

1Corinthians 1: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

1Corinthians 1:9 God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

1Corinthians 6:14 And God both raised up the Lord and will also raise us up by His power.

1Corinthians 8:6 yet for us **there is one God, the Father**, of whom are all things, and we for Him; **and one Lord Jesus Christ**, through whom are all things, and through whom we live.

The Father created all things through His Son (Rev. 4:9-11, Heb. 1:2, Eph. 3:9, Jn. 1:3, Col. 1:16).

Matthew 23:9 for **One is your Father, He who is in heaven.**

Mark 12:29 Jesus answered him, “The first of all the commandments is: ‘Hear, O Israel, **the Lord our God, the Lord is one.**’”

John 17:1-3 **Father** ... this is eternal life, that they may know you, **the only true God**, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.

Ephesians 4:6 **one God and Father of all**, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

Galatians 1:4-5 who gave Himself for our sins, that He might deliver us from this present evil age, according to the will of **our God and Father, to whom be glory forever and ever**. Amen.

Philippians 1:2 Grace to you and peace from **God our Father**, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Philippians 4:20 Now to **our God and Father** be glory forever and ever. Amen.

1Corinthians 11:3 But I want you to know that the head of every man is Christ, the head of woman is man, and **the head of Christ is God**.

1Corinthians 15:24-28 then the culmination, when **he (Christ) hands over the Kingdom to God the Father**, after having put an end to every rulership, yes, to every authority and power. For he has to rule until he puts all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be done away with will be death, for “He put everything in subjection under his feet” (Ps. 8:7). But when it says that “everything” has been subjected, obviously the word does not include God, who is himself the one subjecting everything to the Messiah. Now when everything has been subjected to the Son, then **he will subject himself to God**, who subjected everything to him; so that God may be everything in everyone. *The Complete Jewish Bible Translation by David H. Stern*

*Note: Christ is to be subject to the Father, and no mention is made of the Spirit.
If Christ and the Holy Spirit are coequal and coeternal with the Father,
then why is the Father to be supreme for the rest of eternity?*

2Corinthians 1:2 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

2Corinthians 1:4 Blessed by **the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ**, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those who are in any trouble, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

Paul give the credit for our comfort to the Father. How does the Father comfort us?

*He has given us “another Comforter” - the Spirit of His Son
(Gal. 4:6, John 14:26, Luke 11:13).*

John 14:16 (Jesus said) I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Comforter.

2Corinthians 11:31 The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying.

Galatians 1:1 through Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised Him from the dead

Galatians 1:4 [Christ] who gave Himself for our sins, that He might deliver us from this present evil age, according to **the will of our God and Father**, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Galatians 3:20 Now a mediator does not mediate for one only, but **God is one**.

Note: It makes no sense to say that Christ mediates for the Trinity, of which He is Himself a part. For commentary on the word “one” see Mark 12:29.

Galatians 4:6 And because you are sons, **God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son** into your hearts, crying out, “Abba, Father!”

Note: God our Father, sends the Spirit of His Son (Luke 11:13).

Ephesians 1:3 Blessed be **the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ**, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ

*Note: Ephesians chapter 1, is a praise to God the Father.
It was His purpose and plan to adopt us into His Heavenly family,
through the saving work of His Son.
He planned this before the earth was created.
It was for this purpose that Christ was begotten.*

Ephesians 1:17 that **the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory**, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him,

Note: It appears the Father was, is, and always will be “the God of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

Ephesians 1:(17),20,22 the working of His mighty power, which He [the Father] worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places ... And He put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be head over all things to the church,

Ephesians 3:14-16 For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man, that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith;

*Note: God is the Father of the whole family both in heaven and in earth.
Every being owes his existence to the Father.
The Spirit of the Father is also now the Spirit of the Son.*

Ephesians 4:6 **one God and Father of us all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.**

Ephesians 5:5 the kingdom of Christ and God

Ephesians 5:20 giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,

Note: We are not told to thank the Spirit.

Ephesians 6:23 Peace to the brethren, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Philippians 1:2 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Philippians 2:11 and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Note: We are never told to glorify the Spirit?

Philippians 4:19-20 And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. **Now to our God and Father be glory** forever and ever. Amen.

My God = Our Father

Colossians 1: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Colossians 1:3 We give thanks to **the God and Father** of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you,

*Note: Paul could have said, "We give thanks to our God, the Father of Jesus Christ."
But he chose to say that the Father is also the God of Jesus Christ, thus showing hierarchy.*

Colossians 1:12 **giving thanks to the Father** who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light. **He has translated us into the kingdom of the Son of His love,**

Colossians 1:19 For **it pleased the Father** that in Him all the fullness should dwell, and by Him **to reconcile all things to Himself**, by Him, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His cross.

*Note: We are reconciled to the Father, through the Son.
All the fullness of divinity dwelt in the Son, because that is what pleased the Father.*

Colossians 2:2-3 that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, and attaining to all riches of the full assurance of understanding, **to the knowledge of the mystery of God, both of the Father and of Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.**

*Note: The "mystery of the Trinity" speaks of three divine beings in one God,
but here we read that "the mystery of God", "all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge"
are hidden in the Father and the Son - two beings.*

Colossians 3:17 And whatever you do in word or deed, **do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father** through Him.

Note: No recognition is given to the Spirit.

1Thessalonians 1:1 To the church of the Thessalonians in **God the Father** and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace from **God our Father** and the Lord Jesus Christ.

1Thessalonians 3:11 Now may **our God and Father Himself, and our Lord Jesus Christ**, direct our way to you.

*Note: "our God and Father Himself" - first being.
"our Lord Jesus Christ" - second being.*

1Thessalonians 3:13 so that He may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before **our God and Father** at the coming of **our Lord Jesus Christ** with all His saints.

2Thessalonians 1:1-2 To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

2Thessalonians 2:16-17 Now may **our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and our God and Father**, who has loved us and given us everlasting consolation and good hope by grace, **comfort your hearts** and establish you in every good word and work.

1Timothy 1:2 Grace, mercy, and peace from God our Father and Jesus Christ our Lord.

1Timothy 2:5 For there is **one God** and **one Mediator** between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus.

1Timothy 6:13-16 I urge you in the sight of **God who gives life to all things**, and before Christ Jesus who witnessed the good confession before Pontius Pilate, that you keep this commandment without spot, blameless until our Lord Jesus Christ's appearing, which He will manifest in His own time, He who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings and Lord of lords, **who alone has immortality, dwelling in unapproachable light, whom no man has seen or can see**, to whom be honor and everlasting power.

1. *No man has seen the Father (John 6:46, John 1:18).*
2. *Only the Father knows the time of Christ's return.*
3. *The Spirit is invisible, therefore the Holy Spirit does not generate or dwell in "unapproachable light."*
4. *"As the Father has life in Himself, so He has given to the Son to have life in Himself" (John 5:26).*

Conclusion: The Father alone has immortal life, which He has given to His Son (by inheritance and by covenant). Christ then gives this immortality to us, by adoption.

2Timothy 1:2 Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

Titus 1:4 Grace, mercy, and peace from god the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ our Savior.

Hebrews 1:1-6 God [the Father] who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken to us **by His Son**, whom He [the Father] has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He [the Father] made the worlds; who being the brightness of His glory [the Father's glory] and **the express image of His person**, [the Father's person] and upholding all things by the word of His power, [the Father's authority] when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become so much better than the angels, as He has by inheritance obtained [from His Father] a more excellent name than they. For to which of the angels did He [the Father] ever say: "You are My Son, Today I have begotten You"?

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And again: "**I will be to Him a Father, And He shall be to Me a Son**"? But when He [the Father] again brings the firstborn into the world, He says: "Let all the angels of God worship Him." And of the angels He [the Father] says: "Who makes His angels spirits and His ministers a flame of fire." But to the Son He [the Father] says: "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your Kingdom. You have loved righteousness and hated lawlessness; Therefore **God [the Father], Your God, has anointed You [Christ] with the oil of gladness [the Holy Spirit] more than Your companions [angels and then men].**" [emphasis supplied]

*Note: When the Father addressed the Son, He said, "Your throne O God."
On the other hand, when the Son speaks of the Father, He says "My God" (John 20:17, Rev. 3:12).
Christ is divine, because His Father is divine, yet the Father is the God of Christ.*

Hebrews 3:1-2 Therefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our confession, Christ Jesus, **who was faithful to *Him* who appointed Him**, as Moses also was faithful in all His house.

Hebrews 5:5 So also Christ did not glorify Himself to become High Priest, but it was *He* [the Father] who said to Him: “You are *My* Son. Today I have begotten You.”

Hebrews 5:7 who, in the days of His flesh, when He had offered up prayers and supplications, with vehement cries and tears to *Him* who was able to save Him from [out of] death, and was heard because of His godly fear.

*Note: The Father did not save Him from dying,
but He did save him “out of” death, when He resurrected His Son.*

Hebrews 12:9 Furthermore, we have had human fathers who corrected us, and we paid them respect. Shall we not much more readily **be in subjection to the Father** of spirits [angels] and live?

Hebrews 13:20 Now may **the God of peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead**, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, **make you complete in every good work to do *His* will**, working in you what is well pleasing in *His* sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

*Note: The Father raised Jesus from the dead (1Peter 1:3, Galatians 1:1).
The Father works in you what is pleasing in His sight. He does this through Christ.*

James 1:17 **Every good gift** and every perfect gift is from above, and **comes down from the Father** of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning.

James 4:12 There is one Lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy. Who are you to judge another?

1Peter 1:3 Blessed be **the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ**, who according to *His* abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

1Peter 5:10 But may the God of all grace, who called us to *His* eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle you. **To *Him* be the glory and the dominion** forever and ever. Amen.

Matt. 9:9-13 **Our Father in Heaven . . . Yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

2Peter 1:17 For **He received from God the Father honor and glory** when such a voice came to Him from the Excellent Glory: “This is *My* beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.”

1John 1:2 the life was manifested, and we have seen, and bear witness, and declare to you **that eternal life which was with the Father** and was manifested to us— (1Tim. 6:16, John 1:1, John 5:26).

1John 1:3 that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ.

1John 2:15 Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

1John 2:22 Who is a liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? He is Antichrist who denies the Father and the Son.

Note Almost every Christian denomination teaches that Christ is not literally the Son of God the Father.

1John 2:23 Whoever denies the Son does not have the Father either; he who acknowledges the Son has the Father also.

*Why is the Spirit not mentioned here if "He" is a third divine being?
- or a third manifestation of the One divine being?*

1John 2:24 Therefore let that abide in you which you heard from the beginning. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, you also will abide in the Son and in the Father.

1John 3:1 Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him.

Note: I know of no Scripture which says that the Holy Spirit loves us.

1John 4:9-10 In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that **God has sent His only begotten Son into the world**, that we might live through Him. In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and **sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.**

Note: "His Son" - the words include only two persons.

1John 4:14 And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent the Son as Savior of the world.

1John 5:1 Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves Him who *begot* also loves him who is *begotten* of Him.

2John 1:3 Grace, mercy, and peace will be with you **from God the Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father**, in truth and love.

Note: Christ is always called the "Son of the Father," never "the Son of the Spirit."

2John 1:9 Whoever transgresses and does not abide in the doctrine of Christ does not have God. He who abides in the doctrine of Christ **has both the Father and the Son.**

*Why does he not also "have" the Spirit?
Is it because the Spirit is not another divine being?
Is it because the Spirit is not a third and different manifestation of One divine being,
but rather the Spirit presence of both Christ and the Father.*

Jude 1:1 Jude, a bondservant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, To those who are called, sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ:

Revelation 1:4 John, to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from Him who is and who was and who is to come [the Father], and from the seven Spirits [angels] who are before His throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth. To Him [Christ] who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood, and **has made us kings and priests to His God and Father**, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Revelation 3:12 He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of **My God**, and he shall go out no more. And I will write on him the name of **My God** and the name of the city of **My God**, the New Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from **My God**. And I will write on him My new name.

Revelation 3:21 To him who overcomes I will grant to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne.

Revelation 4:2, 8 Immediately I was in the Spirit; and behold, a throne set in heaven, and **One sat on the throne**. The four living creatures, each having six wings, were full of eyes around and within. And they do not rest day or night, saying: **“Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, Who was and is and is to come!”**

Note: The created beings say, “Holy, holy, holy” because “the One who sits on the throne” is God of the past, the present, and the future. He changes not.

Revelation 4: 9-11 Whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to Him who sits on the throne, who lives forever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall down before Him who sits on the throne and worship Him who lives forever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying: “You are worthy, O Lord, To receive glory and honor and power; For **You created all things, And by Your will they exist and were created.**”

*It is ultimately by the Father’s will that we exist.
Christ carried out His Father’s will, when He created all things.*

Revelation 5:13 And every creature which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, I heard saying: **“Blessing and honor and glory and power be to Him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb,** forever and ever!”

Note: Only two divine beings are worshiped in this scene.

Revelation 7:10 and crying out with a loud voice, saying, **“Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!”**

Note: Once again, we are saved by two divine beings!

Revelation 14:1 Then I looked, and behold, a Lamb standing on Mount Zion, and with Him one hundred and forty-four thousand, having His Father's name written on their foreheads.

Revelation 15:3-4 And they sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying:

Great and marvelous are your works, Lord God Almighty!

Just and true are Your ways, O King of saints!

Who shall not fear You, O Lord, and glorify Your name?

For You alone are holy.

For all nations shall come and worship before You, For Your judgments have been manifested.

This is the song of Moses and the song of Christ.

Christ will lead the great host of delivered saints

in a great song of victory and praise to His Father - Our God!

(See Rev. 4:2,8 "One sat on the throne" who was called "Lord God Almighty.")

Revelation 21:22-23 But I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. ...
for the glory of God illuminated it, and the Lamb is its light.

Revelation 22:1 And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding from
the throne of God and of the Lamb.

Revelation 22:3-4 And there shall be no more curse, but **the throne of God and of the Lamb** shall
be in it, and His servants shall serve Him. They shall see His face, and His name shall be on their
foreheads.

*Why did I put all of these verses in this study,
one after another, after another, after another?
Because reading through them leaves a greater impression.*